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I THANK GOD FOR YOU... WHY? • BECAUSE OF HIM, HIS GRACE

Who you are acting like now is not who you **REALLY ARE**.

# Who you really are is a **RECIPIENT** of **GRACE** and **SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION**!

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Your problems are a symptom of your real problem... losing focus

on the **GOSPEL**, the message of the **CROSS** of Christ.

**BUT THAT'S FOOLISHNESS! WE WANT SOMETHING MORE** 

v. 26-31

LOOK AT WHO YOU WERE! FOOLISH! • BUT GOD • BECAUSE OF AND THROUGH JESUS

### Who you REALLY ARE is because of JESUSONLY.

JESUS IS THE DIVIDING LINE OF FOOLISHNESS • ON ONE SIDE, FOOLISHNESS, ON THE OTHER POWER!

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#### Lafayette Community Church exists to help people discover life in Christ.

We do what we do because we believe God has called us to be a blessing to others, helping make their life better because of the love of Christ. We do what we do because we believe that when we serve others, we discover a little more what abundant life really is. Whether you are discovering life in Christ or you want to help others, you've found a home with us.

#### LCC Basics Class • Beginning Tuesday the 12th

**This is the fundamental class for membership at LCC**. In this three-week course, we cover the basics of our church beliefs, our history, structure, and vision, and we set you up for further spiritual growth by connecting you to our coaching program. The class begins Tuesday, the 12th, from 6:30-8pm, and will continue the 19th, finishing on the 26th.

#### **Hope Chapel Outreach • Today**

Today, we are beginning a new partnership with Hope Chapel Outreach to serve lunch and bring a spiritual blessing to the homeless community of Lafayette.

For questions, call Brandi (765-714-7460).

#### LCC Men's Event • Saturday, February 16th

Men of LCC! Join us for a morning of fun, food and fellowship. We will be having a Euchre Tournament Saturday the 16th, 10am–Noon at the church building. Breakfast will be provided. Please bring your friends!

#### Concert of Prayer and Family Potluck • Saturday, the 23rd

Our first Concert of Prayer of the year is just a couple of weeks away! We'll be having a family style potluck at 6pm, and then we'll move into a time of worship and prayer together at 7pm. More details will be available soon. Get this on your calendar today!

#### **Ladies Fellowship Night • Monday, February 25th**

Ladies of LCC! Join in an evening of fellowship and fun together with games and snacks at 6:30pm at the church. The snacks will be provided, but feel free to bring your favorite card or board game.

#### **Miami School Partnership**

We have an ongoing partnership with Miami School. Contact Beth Hardy to volunteer: **765-430-9753** or **grace2-8@hotmail.com**.

#### **Fundraising Financial Update**

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